



## BUCKEYE PIPE LINE COMPANY, L.P.

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October 23, 2020

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SENT VIA EMAIL:  
[Lantner.Murray@epa.gov](mailto:Lantner.Murray@epa.gov)

Attention: Murray Lantner, P.E., Environmental Engineer

**RE: Buckeye Pipeline Right of Way Chelsea Road, Staten Island, NY**  
Section/Block 1780, Lot 112 and 95  
Valve Station 4R

Dear Mr. Lantner:

In your email to Mr. Garcia on September 30, 2020 (**Attachment 1**) you stated that The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), in 2020, identified that a culvert had been installed along the pipeline right of way crossing under Chelsea Road (near River Road) in Staten Island, New York and that stone had been placed in wet areas on and around the pipeline right of way on both sides of Chelsea Road.

Buckeye has reviewed the information and photos provided in your email and provides the following responses:

1. The culvert on the east side of Chelsea Road and the stone on the west side of Chelsea Road, as referenced in your email, were not installed by Buckeye Pipe Line Company, L.P. (Buckeye). Buckeye located "One Call" tickets that were placed before the work was done. It appears that culvert and stone were installed by DIFAZIO INDUSTRIES LLC and are unrelated to the adjacent Buckeye valve site. See the photographic documentation included as **Attachment 2** as well as copies of the "One Call" Tickets as **Attachment 3**.

Google Earth images dated February 18, 2019 (when culvert was not present) and September 18, 2019 (when culvert is present) as well as the "One Call" Tickets suggest that the culvert and stone fill were installed in mid-2019. Due to the fact that this project was not completed by Buckeye, the requested documentation regarding wetland delineation, wetland inspections, hydraulic/hydrologic connectivity to nearby water bodies, government entity notifications and construction permits cannot be provided.

2. Unrelated to the culvert work completed by the third party listed above, but as a result of a change in conditions at the site including changes to the grade of Chelsea Road, Buckeye completed projects at the valve site in 2019 and 2020. This scope of work included removal of the manhole lid at the valve site, extending the valve site walls vertically (mortar/block), resetting the manhole lid, placing filter fabric and adding crushed stone to raise the grade around the manhole lid. Additionally, Buckeye added a layer of stone to the existing access road to provide stability and safe access to the valve site from Chelsea Road for Buckeye employees as well as government agencies and emergency responders. Because the additional stone was associated maintenance on the previously existing access road, Buckeye is not able to provide the requested documentation regarding wetland delineation, wetland inspections, hydraulic/hydrologic connectivity to proximal water bodies, government entity notifications and construction permits.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (732) 692-5220. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Monika Niedbala  
Senior Health, Safety, Security & Environmental Specialist  
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Enclosure

## ATTACHMENT 1

## Garcia, Frank

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**From:** Lantner, Murray <Lantner.Murray@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 2:03 PM  
**To:** Garcia, Frank  
**Cc:** Fischer, Lauren; Modigliani, Justine  
**Subject:** Questions on Buckeye Gas Pipeline Right of Way Chelsea Road Staten Island - Section/Block 1780, Lot 112 and 95

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DO NOT CLICK links or attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.  
If you have any questions please contact the Buckeye Partners service desk.**

Dear Mr. Garcia:

As a follow up to our call last week.

In 2020, EPA identified that a culvert had been installed along the pipeline right of way crossing under Chelsea Road (near River Road) in Staten Island, New York and stone had been placed in wet areas on and around the pipeline right of way on both sides of Chelsea Road (as seen in the attached photos) (herein referred to as the Site). We are requesting that Buckeye to submit the following relative to this Site **by October 31, 2020**:

- a. A copy of any and all wetland delineation reports of the Site;
- b. A copy of any and all wetlands inspection reports of the Site;
- c. Any and all documentation that describes the Site's hydraulic/hydrologic connectivity to waterbodies, including Pralls Creek, Saw Mill Creek and/or the Arthur Kill. Provide the methodology utilized for such studies, along with the storm frequency/duration evaluated (e.g., for storms up to and including the 100-year 24-hour storm); and
- d. Submit the name(s) of any and all government entities (including local, city, state or federal agencies) that you, or someone acting on your behalf, has communicated with regarding your construction activities at the Site (installing a stone pad and culvert), including the personnel contact(s) at such agencies. This includes any agency that has granted approval or preliminary approval to conduct work in wetlands at the Site;
- e. Any and all permits to conduct construction activity in wetlands (State or Federal) at the Site.

Site Photos

**East Side of Chelsea Road**









## West Side of Chelsea Road



Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

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## ATTACHMENT 2





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## **PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION**

**Project Name: Buckeye Gas Pipeline Right of Way Chelsea Road Staten Island -  
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### **Photo 1 of 7**

1. Google Earth image from February 2019 - Culvert and stone not present at Chelsea Road, adjacent to Buckeye valve site.





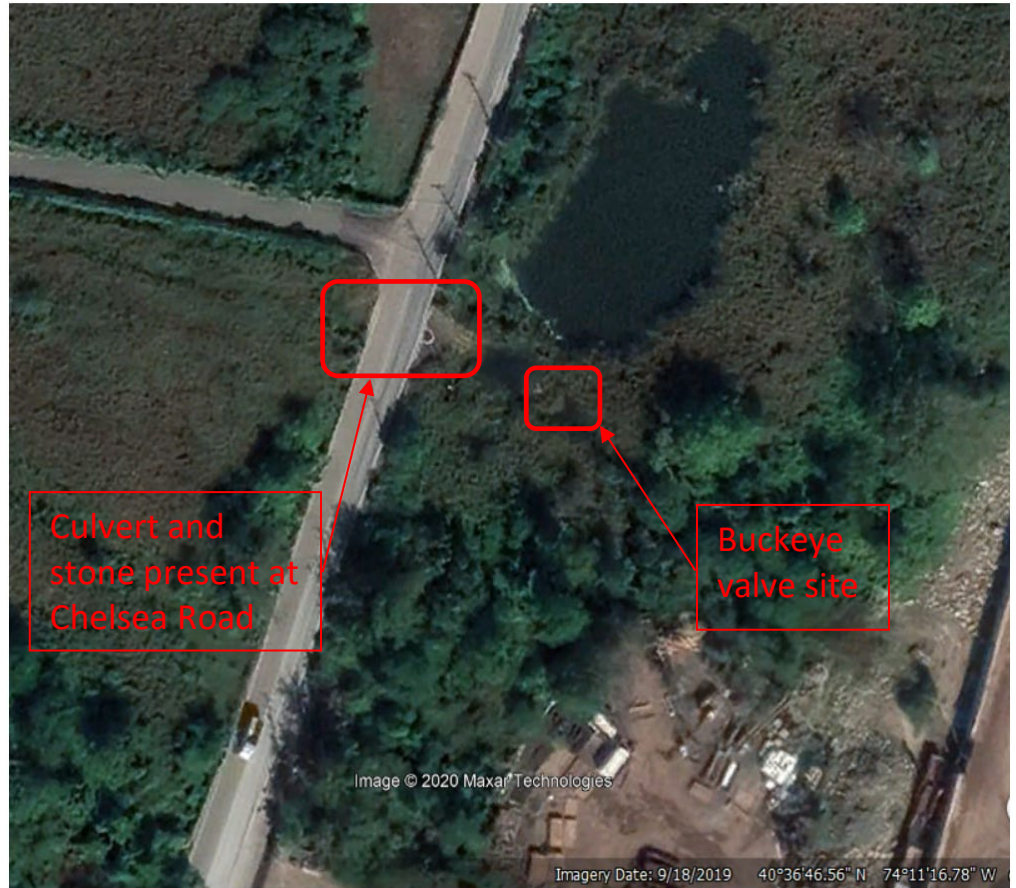
**BUCKEYE PIPE LINE COMPANY, L.P.**

## **PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION**

**Project Name: Buckeye Gas Pipeline Right of Way Chelsea Road Staten Island -  
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### **Photo 2 of 7**

2. Google Earth image from June 2019 – Culvert on east side and stone on the west side of Chelsea Rd was installed by an unknown party and was not related to the adjacent Buckeye valve site.







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**Photo 3 and 4 of 7**

3. Looking toward West Side of Chelsea Rd. 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractor installing a drainage piping across the Chelsea Rd. New Road was installed as part of this project.



4. Drainage Piping installed by the 3<sup>rd</sup> party contractor.







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### **Photo 5 and 6 of 7**

5. East Side of Chelsea Rd  
- culvert was not  
installed by Buckeye.



6. West Side of Chelsea Rd –  
stone was not installed by  
Buckeye.







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## **PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION**

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### **Photo 7 of 7**

7. East Site of Chelsea Rd – Buckeye Right of Way, Valve Site R4. Buckeye added a layer of stone to valve site access road for a safe access to the valve site as per FDNY request.



## ATTACHMENT 3

New York 811



**Ticket No:** 191720879  
**ROUTINE**  
**Original Call Date:** 06/21/19 09:21 am  
**Op:** webusr6  
**Start Date:** 06/26/19 07:00 am  
**Lead Time:** 20  
**Viewing Date:** 10/13/20 03:14 pm  
**Op:** nymdelan  
**CALLER INFORMATION**  
**Company:** DIFAZIO INDUSTRIES  
**Best Time:**  
**Caller Name:** HAFEZ SHRAIDEH  
**Phone:** 718-720-6966  
**Field Contact:** HAFEZ SHRAIDEH  
**Phone:** 718-720-6966  
**Caller Address:** 38 KINSEY PL STATEN ISLAND, NY 10305  
**Fax Phone:** 718-816-5689  
**Email Address:** hafez@difazioind.net

**DIG SITE INFORMATION**  
**Type of Work:** INSTALL DRAINAGE PIPES  
**Type of Equipment:** BACKHOE, TRENCHER  
**Work Being Done For:** WEST SHORE BID  
**In Street:** X  
**On Sidewalk:** X  
**Private Property:**  
**Other:**  
**On Property Location**  
**if Private:**  
**Front:**  
**Rear:**  
**Side:**

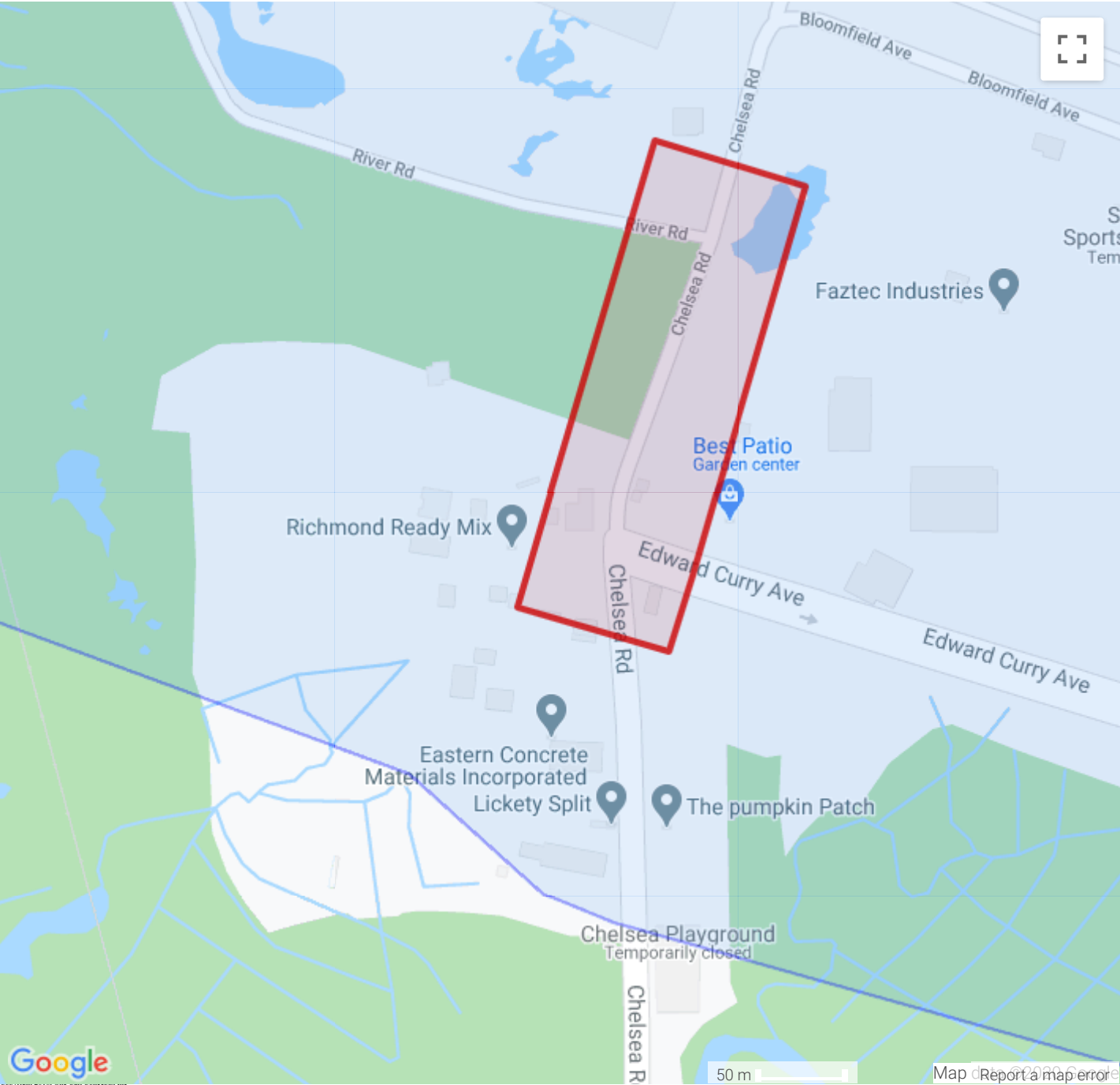
**DIG SITE LOCATION**  
**County:** RICHMOND  
**Place:** STATEN ISLAND  
**Dig Address:**  
**Dig Street:** CHELSEA RD  
**Intersecting Street:** EDWARD CURRY AVE  
**Second Intersecting Street:** RIVER RD  
**Location of Work:** MARK OUT ENTIRE BLOCK INCLUDING 50 FEET IN ALL DIRECTIONS AT INTERSECTIONS  
**Remarks:**  
**Map Coord NW Lat:** 40.6136827  
**Lon:** -74.1894314  
**SE Lat:** 40.6110423  
**Lon:** -74.1874615

Operators:

District	Company Name	Phone Number	Status
BCKPIP01	BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.	610-904-4475	Clear/No conflict
BGS	NATIONAL GRID	866-507-3010	Marked
CES	CONSOLIDATED EDISON CO. OF N.Y	718-390-6290	Clear/No conflict
VSI	VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS	855-661-6323	Clear/No conflict
WGP01	WILLIAMS GAS PIPELINE	908-523-3600	Marked

**Legend:**  Locate Polygon  
 District Polygon

Lat/Lon 40.613410 -74.180871





New York 811



**Ticket No:** 191720884  
**ROUTINE**  
**Original Call Date:** 06/21/19 09:35 am  
**Op:** webusr6  
**Start Date:** 06/26/19 07:00 am  
**Lead Time:** 20  
**Viewing Date:** 10/13/20 03:41 pm  
**Op:** nymdelan  
**CALLER INFORMATION**  
**Company:** DIFAZIO INDUSTRIES  
**Best Time:**  
**Caller Name:** HAFEZ SHRAIDEH  
**Phone:** 718-720-6966  
**Field Contact:** HAFEZ SHRAIDEH  
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**DIG SITE INFORMATION**  
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**Type of Equipment:** BACKHOE, TRENCHER  
**Work Being Done For:** WEST SHORE BID  
**In Street:** X  
**On Sidewalk:** X  
**Private Property:**  
**Other:**  
**On Property Location**  
**if Private:**  
**Front:**  
**Rear:**  
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**Remarks:**  
**Map Coord NW Lat:** 40.6148893  
**Lon:** -74.1888013  
**SE Lat:** 40.6126617  
**Lon:** -74.1870107

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BCKPIP01	BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.	610-904-4475	Clear/No conflict
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Lat/Lon

